

Hamptstead July 13th 1863

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I haven't-written any letters lately
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And now good night. This will
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Yours "A. M. M. - Anne

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Yours as ever - Emmy

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